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(54) Title: STAR SHAPED ALUMINA EXTRUDATES AND CATALYST BASED THEREON

(57) Abstract

This invention is directed to star shaped alumina extrudates with a pore volume in the pores of a diameter over 1000 nm, as determined by mercury porosity, of at least 0.05 ml/g and a total pore volume between 0.5–0.75 ml/g. The extrudates have a length of between 2–8 mm, a length to diameter ratio of between 1–3, a side crushing strength of at least 50 N and a bulk crushing strength of at least 1 MPa.